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SIR:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 10, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to an April 10, 2002, Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 10, 2002 Office Action was originally due July 10, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is \$460.00 and a check in this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the April 10, 2002 Office Action is now due October 10, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.